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Comments and Suggested Actions

- 1. The procedures summarized in Attachments I and II appear to be completely in line with the responsibilities assigned to the components involved and certainly are adequate to cover the routine, day-to-day business involving legitimate telephone inquiries regarding publication output, distribution, wire service, etc.
- 2. The liaison relationships served by the procedures described in the attachments have been carefully nurtured over a period of years and have grown out of a desire to provide, wherever possible, one-stop service when responding to legitimate queries from regular contacts. In our opinion, these relationships should not be disturbed.
- 3. There seems to be a need, however, to provide identical and timely guidance to each component, so that each can respond consistently to the occasional caller who is merely trying to find out about the PBIS because of something he has heard or read.
- 4. The actions described in this paragraph are put forth with the view of establishing such consistency.
- Action A: Telephone inquiries received during regular working (Change) hours by any of the Agency authorities described in Attachments I and II requesting information about the mission and charter of the FBIS will be responded to by the authority called using the guidance provided by the O/DDI.
- Action B: Certain changes be made in the after regular duty hours procedures. To wit:
 - (Change) (1) Mr. Goodwin will receive urgent inquiries from recognized media concerning FBIS and will consult with the FBIS Wire Officer if he considers it necessary.
 - (Change) (2) Mr. Maury's staff will respond to urgent inquiries concerning FBIS, consulting if necessary with the FBIS Wire Officer.

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- (3) The CIA Telephone Operator will refer (Change) random information-seeking inquiries re PBIS to the CIA Operations Center.
- (Change) (4) The FBIS Wire Officer and all other Components will be provided with a standard response to be used when responding to calls concerning the mission and charter of the FBIS. A suggested response is appended.
- Action C: The State Department Press Room will refer inquiries regarding FBIS to the CIA Operations Center (Change)
- Action D: (1) By copy of this memorandum the various authorities described herein are requested to conform to the new procedures where applicable.
 - (2) The Director, PBIS, will instruct the State Department Press Room on the desired changes at the same time reiterating in writing the ground rules on the use and sourcing of statements in connection with both copyright and non-copyright FBIS material.

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APPENDIX A TO ATTACHMENT III

FBIS monitors foreign radio and press transmissions, exploits foreign publications, and distributes its translations to various sectors of the U.S. Government and interested foreign governments, as well as to news agencies and members of the academic community. It has been the official monitoring service of the U.S. Government for nearly three decades, and was originally administered by the FCC. For administrative purposes, FBIS is now under the general management of CIA.

Overseas, FBIS bureaus typically operate as part of the U.S. Embassy team, under the authority of the Ambassador, and of course always with the permission of the host government.

FBIS distributes full texts or condensations of foreign news broadcasts or other public media by wire or in printed form for the use of U.5. Government officials. Diplomats, newsmen, and academic institutions in the U.S. also have access to this material. FBIS publication of a news item does not imply official support of the opinion or information contained in the item; it is simply a report of the fact that such material is being circulated by the foreign medium cited.

Because of laws relating to copyright and libel, some FBIS items are marked FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY and must not be attributed to FBIS. Other material not so marked may be attributed to FBIS, but only as an intermediate source, preferably along the following lines:

FSIS reports that Radio Moscow announced...

FBIS has monitored a broadcast from Hanoi which says...